

FOR MYSORE STATE

Food and Agriculture (1950) Department.

No. SERIES.

<i>Letter.</i> ~~G.O.~~ NO. 180. <i>Food and Agriculture</i> Dated 31st January 1950.

[Despatch Abstract.]

*Food production - Increasing of - Suggestions of Lord Boys
Gov - Comments of the Provincial Government - Forwarded
to the Government of India.*

No. 4143/49/G.M.F.
Government of India,
Ministry of Agriculture,
New Delhi, the 19th October 49.

From

Shri S.K. Raja, B.A. LL.B., Bar-at-law,
Under secretary, Ministry of Agriculture,
Government of India.

To

1. All Provincial Governments,
2. All State Governments,
3. All local Administrations.

Sub: SUGGESTION FOR INCREASING FOOD PRODUCTION
MADE BY LORD BOYD ORR

Sir,

I am directed to place below a few of the suggestions made by Lord Boyd Orr, the eminent Agricultural Expert, who was invited sometime back by the Government of India to examine the agricultural position of the country and to make suggestions:-

(1) Detailed field investigations will have to be made of the existing wells which have gone out of repairs.

It has been observed that a large number of wells and tanks have become derelict in the absence of adequate repairs. While new wells are being constructed with the assistance of Grow More Food funds this aspect of increasing irrigation facilities has not received adequate attention. A detailed census of such tanks and wells and steps to bring them under working conditions at the earliest possible moment will be a step right direction. It has been suggested that as we have initiated legislation to secure a compulsory ploughing up of fallow land, a similar provision for securing a compulsory utilisation of old wells should be considered.

2. "For pumping water from rivers and canals, pumps

could be fitted to barges and taken along the river wherever possible".

The installation of such mobile pumps both on lands and in water would save the purchases of a verily large number of pumping sets. A good sized pumping set mounted on a barge can move from place to place and supply water to a much larger areas than a pump fitted in one place. This practice not known to have adopted anywhere else except in Orissa and deserves to be considered.

3. ' In the newly reclaimed areas it is worthwhile for Govern ment to grow improved varieties of seeds for distribution to cultivators.

The desirability of reserving at least a substantial proportion if not the entire reclaimed areas ^e either as government farms for producing best variety of seeds or for handing over to Farmers Cooperative societies on conditions big seed multiplication deserves to receive an urgent consideration of the Provincial and State Governments. The problem in India today is not that of training the farmer in the use of improved seeds but one of insuring him ^{an} ~~at~~ adequate supply of such seeds at reasonable rates. This bottleneck of availability of improved seeds cannot be acquired only by the large scale multiplication of improved seeds either in Government farms or in the strict government supervision on a large scale.

4. There are small areas of waste land in villages which might be reclaimed by the villagers themselves. This has not been done as these lands have not been assigned with permanent occupancy rights."

Certain suggestions have already been made by this Minister in this direction. It has been suggested earlier that such pieces of waste land should be taken over by the Village Food Production Committees for cultivation. Where it is necessary to acquire such wasteland for the purposes of reclamation, the Provincial and State governments have been asked to arm themselves with adequate powers of land requisition if they do not already have such powers. It is natural that the farmer will not improve his land unless he is permanently interest in it. It is, therefore, necessary that such land should

either be given with permanent occupancy rights or on such long lease as would sufficiently enthruse the farmer to carry out the improvements.

5. "In view of the ^{emergency}, machinery should be geared as for a war. It should be ^{linked up} the actual farmer in such a way that he feels that the problem is his own."

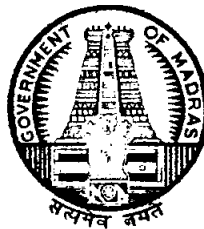
Suggestions have already been made on this subject firstly for formulating the village committees of farmers and labourers and secondly for enthusing the farmers to increase per acre yield by awarding them attractive prizes individually and collectively at different levels. A scheme of Extension service for carrying the results of research to the farmer and to demonstrate them in the farmer's own lands, has already been recommended to the Provinces and States. (Publicity and Propaganda is also another important method for making the farmer conscious of his duty to increase his production both in his and the country's interest. Posters on Buses, village Chawries; Magic Lanterns and similar methods are likely to have more effect on the illiterate farmers than pamphlets and posters which many of them may not be able to read.

The Provincial and State Governments and Local Administrations are requested to give their earnest and immediate consideration to these important suggestions and to forward in course of time a report of the action taken by them on each of these recommendations. It will be very much appreciated if such a report can be sent to this Ministry by the end of December 1949. This would leave sufficient time with the Government to examine the suggestions.

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Compared by N. Raghavan
R. Raghavan



Food and Agriculture.

The Commissioner for Food Production,
Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture.
New Delhi.

Letter No. 49168 L/49-3 dated 25--11-1949.

Sir,

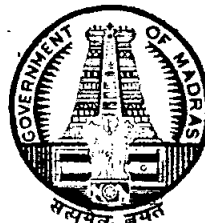
Sub: Suggestions for increasing Food Production made
by Lord Boyd Orr.

Ref: From the Government of India, Ministry of
Agriculture, Letter No. 4143/49/G.M.F.
dated 19--10--1949.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter cited and to say that the matter is under active consideration of this government. A reply will be sent to you as early as possible.

Compared by R. P. Lohman.
L. R. H. Young
V. n. m. 8/6

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Food and Agriculture.

Memorandum No. 49163 L/49-4 dated 16--1--1950.

Sub: Suggestions for increasing Food Production
made by Lord Boyd Orr - Suggestions for growing seeds
in newly reclaimed areas - Remarks called for.

Ref: The Government of India (Ministry of Agriculture)
Letter No. 4143/49/G.M.F. dated 19--10--1949.

An extract from the Government of India's letter
cited is communicated to the Director of Agriculture.

2. He is requested to offer his remarks thereon at
a very early date.

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The Director of Agriculture,
with a copy of 'G' at ppl-2-
c.f.

*improved by Mr. Raghunath
R. Raghunath
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V.N.M.

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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE (FOOD PRODUCTION) CHENNAI.

Sri V.S. Hegnadi. I.O.S.
Commissioner for settlement of Estates, Civil Supplies
and Food Production.

Reference No. 11870/49, dated 23--12--1949.

Sub: Food Production-- Publicity and Propaganda -
Government of India letter communicated.

Read: From the Government of India, Ministry of
Agriculture No. 1-9/49 AEBP dated
13--12--1949.

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A copy of the Government of India letter cited is communicated to the Director of Agriculture Madras for necessary action.

2. It is presumed that items (d) and (e) of the Government of India letter, can be arranged by the existing Agricultural staff in the locality where the fair or shandy is held.

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C copy of Government of India letter No. 1-9/49 AEBP dated 13-12-1949 from Director of Publicity (FOOD PRODUCTION) addressed to all Provincial and State Directors of Food Production.

At the conference held on 28th to 30th November 1949, publicity and propaganda to promote the food drive was discussed. It was generally agreed that publicity is a very important and integral part of the entire scheme.

The following points are suggested for your earnest consideration:-

(a) Bus Publicity: It is suggested that each Province and state contact their transport authorities to make arrangements to advertise the campaign. Backsides or side boards of buses could be used to display posters or strips.

(b) ~~xxxxxx~~ Rural Cinemas: Some provinces have commercial firms that sponsor rural cinemas. These bodies could be approached in order to arrange the projection of our films in their shows.

(c) Rural - Post Offices, Panchayat - Ghars and village seed stores. may be used to display our posters.

(d) Village Markets. Demonstrations can be held at these gathering places so that the farmer may see the weak affect of these exhibitions.

(e) Annual Fairs: like the ones held at sonapur, Bihar and at Gurmukhteswar can be used to convince, inform and instruct the farmer to raise more food in the country.

Could you kindly keep us informed of any steps your take in this direction.

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Compared by N. Rajaram.
R. Mohd Yamin
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Food and Agriculture (K)

The letter overleaf is submitted for perusal. This is a copy of letter sent to the Director of Agriculture. The Board of Revenue of Food Production will no doubt send to the government copy of its reply to the Government of India. It may be stated in this connection that a copy of the Government of India letter copies overleaf has been received by P.W. (I & P) department and they are taking necessary action on it. No action is called for on this. The Board's reply to the Government of India referred to at 'R' above may however be watched. It may be remind on 20--1--1950.

We are already taking some action regarding publicity on ~~xxxxxx~~ the suggestions of Boyd Orr. This may be added to that G.C.

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE.

letter Ma. 180 dated 31--1--1950.

To

The Commissioner of Food Production,
Government of India, Ministry of
Agriculture, New Delhi.

Sir,

Sub: Food Production - Increasing of - Suggestions of
Lord Boyd Orr - Comments of the Provincial
Government - Forwarded to the Government of
India.

Ref: (i) From the Government of India - Ministry
of Agriculture - No. 4143/49G.M.F.
d/19--10--1949.

(ii) This department's letter no. 49163 I/49-3
dated 25--11-1949.

In continuation of the reference second cited, I am directed to communicate to the Government of India the following views of this government on the several suggestions made by Lord Boyd for increasing food production in this country.

Compared by
N. Rajhavan

Letter Ms. 180 dated 31--1--1950.

To

The Commissioner of Food Production,
Government of India,
Ministry of Agriculture,
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India, the following views of this government on the
several suggestions made by Lord Boyd Orr for
increasing food production in this country.

Summary of the Suggestion
of Lord Boyd Orr.

View of the
Madras Government.

1. Detailed field

investigation will have
to be made of the existing
wells which have gone out of
repairs and provision for
securing compulsory
utilisation of old wells &
tanks should be considered.

The Government of
Madras are already
working a Tank Improvement
scheme which includes

among others, repairs to tanks all over the province and sinking of wells in the ayacut of tanks. This Government also consider that any legislation for the repair of old wells will be resented by Public, and there are in addition great difficulties in working the scheme. As such no legislation for this purpose is necessary in this Province.

2. For pumping water from rivers and canals, pumps could be fitted to barges and taken along the river wherever possible.

The question is under the consideration of this Government in the Public works department separately and a further communication on the subject will be sent from that department to the Government of India, in due course.

3. In the newly reclaimed areas it is worthwhile for government to grow improved varieties of seeds for distribution to cultivators.

is being
The question examined separately in consultation of the Director of Agriculture *Madras*
A further communication will be sent to the Government of India in due course.

4. There are small areas of waste land in villages which might be reclaimed by the villagers themselves. This has not been done, as these lands have not been assigned with permanent occupancy rights.

The question of assigning or long leasing of lands at the disposal of the government where villagers apply for such lands is already under consideration of this government in the Revenue department. A further communication on the subject will be sent to ~~the~~ from that to the Government of India in due course.

5. In view of the emergency machinery should be geared as for war. It should be linked up to the actual farmer in such a way that he feels that the problem is his.

Though the idea is that the G.M.F. campaign should be 'geared as for war' there is no material factor which seems to have been ignored. During the war, money was no consideration at all. Any amount of money was being borrowed and spent without bestowing any serious thoughts on the probable results of such

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borrowing. But in every little thing which is done in connection with food production the attitude of Government of India, is entirely different. The government of India have been changing their policy in regard to subsidies very frequently and materially reducing the subsidies all round. So long as the government of India are not prepared to spend as they did during the war it is extremely doubtful if the Intensive Cultivation Plan could be "geared as for war".

However in order to bring home to the farmer that the problem of food production in his own, the question of forming 'Village cooperatives' and setting up an "Extensive service are under the consideration of this government. The government are also taking steps to give publicity to the food production plans, by posters on buses and in village shavadies and by films. A copy of the government memorandum No.491632 L/49-5 dated 28--1--1950 containing the instructions issued in this regard is enclosed for this information of the Government of India.

Food & Agriculture (L)

Memo. No. 49163 L/49 dated 31--12-1949.

Sub: Suggestions for increasing Food Production made
by Lord Boyd Orr - Action to be taken -
Instructions issued.

Ref: From the Government of India, (Ministry of Agriculture)
Letter No. 4143/49/G.MF. d/19--10--49.

A copy of the Government of India's letter cited is communicated to the Board of Revenue (Food Production) and the Director of Agriculture.

B. The Government of India's suggestions that Posters on buses, village chavadies, magic lanterns and similar methods are likely to have more effect on the illiterate farmers than pamphlets and posters which many of them may ~~xxxx~~ not be able to read, seems to be quite a new and a good idea. The C.F.P. is requested to ~~xx~~ make necessary arrangements with the C.R.T. Board for advertising on buses running in places other than the city of Madras, and see that necessary instructions are issued to the concerned authorities. He is also requested to make an appeal to Private operators of buses in the Province to carry ~~xxx~~ such posters on buses free~~xx~~ of charge or on a nominal charge. Regarding the exhibition of posters in buses in Madras city, the C.F.P. is requested to make necessary arrangements in consultation with the Transport Controller.

B. Regarding propaganda through posters in village chavadis and magic lanterns, the government propose to start with the selected firkas under the rural development scheme. In G.O. No. 66 F.L. d/2--3--1949 (Copy enclosed) the government have permitted the collectors to provide each selected firka with magic lantern and slides for visual instructions.

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In G.O. No. 970. F.D. d/22-10-49 (copy enclosed)

the government have also sanctioned the purchase of cinema projectors and some films on 'Grow More Food' for cine propaganda in the two model firkas of Dendalur in the West Godavari District. and Tirumangalam in the Kothur District. The Board of Revenue (Food Production) is therefore requested to ascertain the firkas and centres wherein magic lanterns have been purchased and arranged in consultation with the Director of Agriculture to supply slides having G.M.F. propaganda value. In this connection the Board's attention is invited to the instruction issued for publicity in the selected firkas under the Rural Development scheme in Memo. No. 7383 F.D.I 49 dated 23--3--1949 (copy enclosed)

3. The Board of ~~XXXXX~~ Revenue (Food production) is requested to submit to government a report on the action taken with reference to the orders in paras 1 and 2 above.

To

The Board of Revenue,
The Director of Agriculture.
copy to Home department.

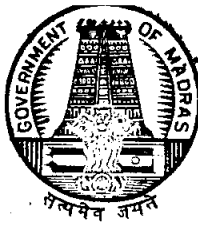
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Approved by N. Rajan.
R. Mohanramudu 2/6



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PUBLIC WORKS (INFORMATION & PUBLICITY)

Memorandum No. 7096/49-2 dated 17th February 1950.

Sub: Publicity - Food publicity through posters and slides
Suggestions of Government of India.

Ref; From the Director of Publicity (F.P) Ministry of
Agriculture, Government of India, letter No.
1-9/49 P&HP dated 13-12-1949.

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The attention of the Commissioner of Food Production
and the Director of Agriculture is invited to the
reference cited and they are requested to state whether
any action has so far been taken on the suggestions of
the Government of India. Their attention in this
connection is invited also to Government Memorandum
No. 49164 L (49-5) Food and Agriculture, dated 2nd
February 1950.

This may kindly be treated as urgent.

To the Commissioner of Food Production,

The Director of Agriculture,

copy to the Food and Agriculture Department.

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Compared by N. Rajaram.
B. Mohanram
3/6.

Copy of letter No. L.Dia 1584/49 dated 22-12--1949, from the Director of Agriculture, to the Director of Publicity (food production) Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, New Delhi.

Sub: Publicity - Propaganda - to promote food drive.

Ref; Your letter No.1.9/49/MEP dated 15--12--1949.

The methods adopted by this department are:

1. Publishing monthly journals in the regional language
 2. Arranging exhibitions in connection with local fairs and festivals and also political meetings of importance.
 3. Publishing annually villagers guide and calendar in regional languages.
 4. Publishing leaflets for free distribution in English and regional language.
 5. Arranging cinema shows.
 6. Delivering lectures on important occasions.
 7. Arranging practical demonstrations on ryots field -
- all operations are done by ~~by~~ them under the guidance of the department.

Food and Agriculture.

Submitted for perusal. These are copies of correspondence with Public works (Information and Publicity) and the Board of Revenue (Food production). This may be lodged and ~~admitted~~ added to the papers relating to Lord Boyd Orr. suggestions.

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BOARD OF REVENUE.
(FOOD PRODUCTION.)

: subject :

Suggestions for increasing food production made by
Lord Boyd Orr - Publicity and Propaganda - Report - Submitted.

Ref: No. 8749/50 -1 P.P. III dated 14th February 50.

Sri V.S. Hejmadi, I.C.S.
Commissioner of Food Production.

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Sri N.S. Mani, I.C.S.
Secretary to the Commissioner of Food Production.

Read: (1) Government D.O. No. 41327-L/49-6 (Food and Agriculture) dated 1-11-1949.

(2) Board's Ref: No. 4377/483 P.P. VII, dated 16--11-1949.

(3) Board's L. Di. No. 4377/49-F.P.II, dated 19.12.49.

(4) From the Director of Information and Publicity letter No. 6345/49-2 dated 14-12-1949, to the Government of India (Copies to the Food and Agriculture department).

(5) Government (Food and Agriculture) memorandum
No. 49163-L/49-5 dated 2--2--1950.

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The Board invites the attention of the Government to the letter from the Director of Information and Publicity 4th read above. In that letter, it is stated that the government are not in favour of organising a separate section for food publicity in view of the fact that all publicity work relating to government departments is under taken by the Director of Information and Publicity. As a measure of economy, it was also proposed not to publish posters.

2. It is not quite clear from the Government memorandum last cited whether the posters should be in the nature of appeals or exhortations to the public about Grow More Food measure like the pamphlet "Call to the Plough" issued by the Ministry of Agriculture or whether they are intended to publicise only the existing Grow More Food measures taken by this government. It is, however, understood from the

Government letter No. 180 (ms) dated 31-1-1950 addressed to the Commissioner of Food Production, New Delhi, that publicity is intended to be given only to the Food Production plan by posters on buses and village chowadis and by exhibition of slides through magic lanterns in the selected firkas. ~~Materials~~ Materials for publicity have to be decided after ~~careful~~ careful scrutiny and it has also to be determined whether the posters to be exhibited on buses can be on thick glazed paper or whether small steel plates with enamel writing will be necessary for the purpose. Such posters will necessarily have to be got up in the different vernaculars - Tamil, Telugu and Malayalam and the number of copies required for the different areas will have to be determined. Even then these posters will have to be obtained only through the Director of Information and Publicity.

5. The Scheme for the formation of a Publicity Section submitted by the Board in its references 2nd and 3rd read above was mainly intended to prepare the necessary materials for the issue of such posters, bulletins etc. The Board therefore requests that the government may be pleased to communicate their orders on its L.D.s third cited above.

4. Pending final orders on the above, the Board requests that the government may be pleased to entrust further action on the government memorandum last read above, to the department of Information and Publicity.

The Secretary to Government, Food and Agri. *ask Madras*

This may lie over till 1-3-50 or till final orders are passed on the 'Publicity' scheme of the Board of Revenue which is expected to be placed before the Cabinet Committee on 28/2/50

Please put up the pages cited by the Board as item 4.
The P.W. (Information and Publicity) department have since agreed to have a separate Scheme under the Board for food production propaganda and publicity. The position may be

explained. So the Board and it may be asked to
give effect to the instructions in this department's
memo cited as item 5. Please ^{make} open a ~~entire~~ file and
examine.

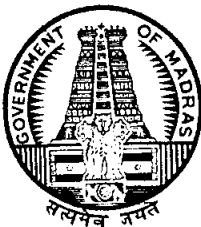
23-2-50.

Yes. Ask the Board to go ahead to implement the
instructions in the Memo. d/2-2-50 No. 49163, ¹L/49-5-

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Compared by N. Rayhan.
M. Mohd. Mansoor
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Food and Agriculture

Memorandum No. 11028 L/50-4 dated 28--2--1950.

Sub: Food Production - Suggestions of Lord Boyd Orr for
~~for~~ stepping up - Publicity and Propaganda -
Posters on buses etc.

Ref: From the Board of Revenue, Ref; No. 2749/50-2 F.P.III
Dated 14--2--1950.

The Board of Revenue (Food Production) is informed that its proposal for the appointment of a Special Officer for Propaganda ~~xxx~~ under its control is under consideration of the Government. It is proposed to place it before the Cabinet Committee for Food Production at its next meeting. Meanwhile the Board is requested to go ahead with the work of implementing the instructions in the Government memorandum No. 49165-L/49-3 dated 2-2-50 irrespective of the proposal referred to above.

2. The Board is also informed that the posters should be in the nature of appeals or exhortations to the public about Grow More Food Measures like the pamphlet "Call to the plough". The Board is requested to use its discretion in the selection of matter for inclusion in the posters and also the material (glazed paper or steel plates) to be used for the preparation of the posters.

3. The Board may settle these details in consultation with the Director of Information and Publicity and get the work started immediately.

To
The Board of Revenue (Food Production)
copy to Public (Information and Publicity)

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V.N.M.

Compared by N. Dasgupta.
R. K. Sanyal 3/6.

Note File

Food and Agriculture (L) dept.

Sub: Suggestions for increasing food production made
by Lord Boyd Orr

Ref: From the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture,

No. 4143/49/G.M.F. dated 19--10--1949.

To A.S.

The letter from the Government of India at pp.1-2-3f.
may be perused.

The government of India have communicated a few of
the suggestions made by Lord Boyd Orr. to increase food
production and requested that a report on the action taken
by this government on them may be forwarded to them by the
end of December. The suggestions are noted as below.

Suggestions (1) on p.1. c.f.

It is suggested that a detailed census of old wells
and tanks that have become derelict in the absence of adequate
repairs, must be taken and a provision for securing a
compulsory utilisation of old wells should be considered.
Revenue department is concerned with this.

Suggestion 2 on p.1. c.f.

The practice of installing mobile pumps both on
lands and in water, which has been adopted in some
the purchase of a very large number
remarks of the Director of Agriculture may be called for
on this.

Suggestion 3 p.p.1-2 c.f.

It is desired that at least a substantial proportion
of the reclaimed areas should be reserved for producing
best variety of seeds or for handing over to Farmers
cooperative societies, on conditions to produce best
variety of seeds. This will make the availability of
improved seeds at reasonable rates very easy.
The remarks of the Director of Agriculture on this also
may be ~~not~~ called in this first instance.

Suggestion 4 on p. 2. c.f.

The suggestion is to bring under cultivation small areas of waste land in village which might be reclaimed by the villagers themselves. This can be done by having adequate power of land requisition if the Provincial ^{ex. out} do not already have such power. Revenue department is concerned with this.

Suggestion 5 on p.2.f.f.

The question of forming village committees of farmers and labourers awarding prizes to enthuse the farmer to increase per acre yield and setting up of extension service for propagating the improved method of Agriculture to the farmer are all separately under consideration of this government. Hence no separate action is called for on this suggestion.

As Revenue department are concerned with suggestions 1 and 4 and public works department with 3 a copy of India's letter may be communicated these departments and they may be requested to communicate to Government of India direct the action taken by them on the suggestions with which they are concerned.

Subject to orders a draft U.O. Note is submitted below for approval. A draft memo calling for the remarks of the Director of Agriculture and C.F.P. on suggestions 2 & 3 is also submitted below for approval.

There are to suggestion in item 5 which are with perusing.

(1) Posters on buses:

This will have a very good effect as the buses pass through villages in mofussil areas. We may make a beginning in Chingleput district. We want the cooperation of the Central Road Transport Board to induce the transport operators to carry these posters free of charge or on a nominal charge. Posters suited to the tracts should be designed by the Commissioner of Food Production.

(11) Posters in village chavadies. Village chavadies nowadays are mostly in a neglected condition as officer officers now a days are flectforted like Homes and Village officers are equally disinterested. If these chavadies could be made a living centre for advertisement of Grow More Food knowledge and aids it would be very useful.

(In Uttar Pradesh every village has a Panchayat Gark which is the centre for all rural amenities and the Hope clubs started in this province during the war and a shortlived existence.). We may make a start with the selected firkas.

Revenue, Public works and Home and F.D. may first see before referring the matter to Commissioner Food Production with some practical directions to start action.

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I would prefer sectional notes on the several point raised. Please hurry up.
To A.S.

With reference to orders of Secretary at Y above sectional notes on the several suggestions of government of India are put up below.

Revenue, Public Works, Home & F.D. may first see before referring the matter to Commissioner Food Production.

A.u.o. No.
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3.11.49

Revenue Department/

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This file deals with the suggestions of Lord Boyd Orr for increasing food production. The Government of India have asked for the view of this Government on the suggestions. Food and Agriculture have noted on the suggestions in the sectional notes below. This file has been sent to this department with reference to suggestions on p.l. and suggestions (1) on p. 7. of the sectional notes. The remarks of this department have

been added on these suggestions at pp. 2 e and 8 of the B.R.

After orders are passed the file may be passed on to P.W.D.

D.S.

P.W.D. (N)

A.S.

This file has been sent to this department with reference to the suggestion (2) at p. 1 ante and p.3. of sectional notes below. Necessary extracts, as suggested in p.3. of sectional notes may be taken for further action by this department and the file passed on to Home Department.

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P.W.D.N.O.
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HOME DEPARTMENT.

This file deals with the suggestions of Lord Boyd Orr for increasing food production. The Government of India have called for the views of this Government on the suggestions. The Food and Agri. Dept. have noted on the suggestions in the sectional notes below. The file has been sent to this Dept. with reference to the suggestion (5) relating to publicity and propaganda by means of posters in buses. Please see Food and Agriculture Dept's notes at 'S' on p.3. ante. and at pp.9.10 of the sectional notes. They have been noted on at pp. 10.11 of the sectional notes. After orders are passed the file may be passed on the F.D. dept.

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Mis sent / May be sent to Firka Development deptt.
before return to this deptt.

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Firka Dev. Deptt.

The typed notes of the Home Dept. on pages. 5.6 above summarises the cases. This file has been sent to this dept. with ref. to the latter part of the suggestion No.5 of the Govt. of India on page 2 e.f. The Govt. of India have stated that publicity and propaganda is an important method of making the farmers to grow more food. Suitable remarks have been added on to the sectional notes on page.11 of the sectional notes. After orders are passed this may be returned to Food & Agriculture.

F.D. N.O.
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22-11-49

A.S.

Food and Agri.

The notes of Revenue, P.W.D. Home and F.D. Deptt., from the bottom of p.4. ante may be perused. The notes of the departments concerned in the sectional notes also may be perused. This department's further notes have been added to them. After orders are passed, on the points relevant draft will be put up for approval. Meanwhile an interim reply may be sent to

Government of India.

Subject to orders a draft letter is submitted below for approval.

Issue interim reply and resubmit with reference to orders on p. 8 (a) of sectional notes.

S.
25-12-49.

To A.S.

Necessary notes have been added at page 8 (a) of the sectional notes and they are for orders.

For orders on pp. 2 (a) 3, 8 (a) and 12 of sectional notes. After orders are passed necessary drafts will be prepared.

To A.S.

With reference to at K above three drafts are submitted below for approval and they are with reference to orders in the sectional notes below.

Please
speak.

After reaching a final decision regarding all the suggestions a consolidated reply may be sent to the Government of India.

To A.S. With reference to oral instructions of A.S. a draft letter to India, a draft memo to the Director of Agriculture and a draft memo to the Board and the D.A. are submitted below for approval.

After issue of the drafts this file may be closed as letter no Ms. 180 d^{21.1.50} and a fresh file opened for dealing with the reply to the memo to the D.A.

The drafts are not satisfactory. The subject should be indicated in the head of the sub para of letter of the Govt. of India. The same heading should be adapted. Just below that our remarks on the suggestion should be given. I have indicate this method of drafting in more than two drafts. Still this section is following its own confused method of drafting. Again the headings for the memorandums do not indicate the

~~indicate the~~ subject matter of the communication. This
xxx section should improve its method of noting and
drafting. There is not much of clarity. There is not
much evidence of following^{up} the instructions, given either.
There is no need to keep this in blue pad. Change to red.
Put up a short clean typed note ignoring the previous
notes and revised drafts with reference to the orders in
the sectional notes. Secretary should be able to pass
the note and drafts without much difficulty.

S.

SUMMARY.

(previous notes need not be read).

In their letter at pp-1-2- c.f. the government of
India have forwarded certain suggestions made by Lord
Boyd Orr, (the Eminent Agricultural Expert) for ..
increasing food production in this province. The
suggestions have been examined in the sectional notes below
and based on the orders therein, a draft reply to the
Commissioner of Food Production, government of India
and a draft memo to the Board of Revenue (F.P.) and the
Director of Agriculture, are submitted below for approval.
They may issue after circulation to H.M. (Agriculture)

Drafts I & II are self contained. They may issue
after circulation.

In reply to 1. why not give the no. of
repairs.

Please bring.

S.

There is no need to modify the reply in regard to
item 1 but in regard to item 5, we may perhaps point
that though the idea is that the Grow More Food camp
should be "geared as for war", there is one material
factor which seems to have been ignored.

During the war, money was no consideration at all.
Any amount of money was being borrowed and spent

~~without~~

without bestowing any serious thoughts on the probable results of such borrowing. But in every little thing that we do in connection with Agriculture, whether as part of the old Grow More Food or part of the Intensive cultivation scheme, the attitude is entirely different, and so long as the Government are not prepared to spend as they did during the war, it is extremely doubtful, if the Intensive cultivation scheme could be geared 'as so, War'. On the other hand, government of India have been changing their policy in regard to subsidies, every alternate week and materially reducing the subsidies all round. I would suggest, that this aspect of the question may also be pointed out in reply to the Government of India. Better to circulate the file with a short note.

(Previous notes need not be read).

SUMMARY.

In their letter at pp 1-2 c.f. the government of India, have forwarded ^{the following} ~~certain~~ suggestions made by the Eminent Agricultural expert, Lord Boyd Orr for increasing food production in this country. The suggestions have been examined in the sectional notes below in consultation with revenue, Public Works, Home and ~~W~~irka Development, departments and it is proposed to reply the government of India as in draft I below, and to instruct the Director of Agriculture and Board of Revenue (F.P.) as in the drafts II & III

2. Regarding suggestion 5 of the government of India, at p. 2 c.f. that in view of the ^emergency, administrative machinery should be geared as for war it may be noted that the Government of India, themselves do not act upto their prescription, that this food production problem should be treated as on a "War footing". In every little thing that we do in connection with

Agriculture, whether as part of the Old Grow More Food Scheme plan or part of the Intensive Cultivation Scheme, the attitude of the Government of India, is entirely different, and they are not spending money as they did during the war for food production. The Government of India have been changing their policies in regard to subsidies for food production very frequently. They are denying subsidies to the schemes which, in the view of the provincial governments will increase food production. If the government of India really desire that this should be treated as on a war basis, they should unstintingly grant liberal subsidies for food production plans. As their present attitude stands, it is extremely doubtful whether the Intensive cultivation schemes can be geared 'as for war'. The case may be circulated to H.M. (Agriculture) for orders whether the government of India may also be informed of the position on the lines indicated above, ~~in addition to the reply proposed in draft I at below.~~

Please revise item 3 of the draft I as indicated by secretary. The summarising note should detail briefly the five suggestions otherwise the note is vague.

Previous notes need not be read.

S U M M A R Y.

In their letter at pp.1-2 c.f. the government of India have forwarded the following suggestions made by the Eminent Agricultural Expert, Lord Boyd Orr for increasing ~~in~~ food production in this country.

1. Detailed field investigations will have to be made of the existing wells which have gone out of repairs.
2. For pumping water from rivers and canals pumps could be fitted to barges and taken

along the river wherever possible.

3. In the newly reclaimed areas it is worthwhile for government to grow improved varieties^o of seeds for distribution to cultivators.
4. There are small areas of waste land in villages which might be reclaimed by the villagers themselves. This has not been done as these lands have not been assigned with permanent occupancy rights.
5. In view of the emergency, machinery should be geared as for war. It should be linked up to the actual farmer in such a way that he feels that the problem is his own.

The Government of India desire that the Provincial government should consider these suggestions and forward to them in due course, a report on the action taken in this Province on each of these suggestions. The suggestions have been examined in the sectional notes below in consultation with revenue, Public works, Home and firka development departments, and it is proposed to reply to the government of Indias in draft I below and to instruct the Director of Agriculture and the Board of Revenue (F.P.) as in drafts II & III below.

Regarding suggestions 5 it may be noted that the government of India themselves do not act up to their prescription that the food production problem should be treated as on "war footing". In every little thing that we do in connection with Agriculture, whether as part of the old Grow more food plan or part of the Intensive cultivation scheme, the attitude of the Government of India is entirely different, and they are not spending money as they did during the war for food production. The government of India have been changing policies in regard to subsidies for food production very frequently. They are denying subsidies to the schemes which, in the view of the provincial government will increase food production.

If the government of India really desire that this should be treated as on a war basis, they should unstintingly grant liberal subsidies for food production plans. As their present attitude stands, it is extremely doubtful whether the Intensive cultivation schemes can be geared as for war. This may be pointed out to the government of India. The case may be circulated to H.M. (Agri). for approval of the drafts below.

1. Please revise item 5 of draft I as indicated.
2. Please put up G.O. 66 F.d. d/8-3-49 and G.O. 970 F.D. d/22-10-49. referred to in draft II
3. Issue draft III.

Orders above:

Item 1 The draft has been revised and clean copy is submitted for approval.

Item 2. The G.O.s are put up at Q AND D

Notes from the bottom of p. above may be read.

The drafts below may issue after approval by H.M.
AGRICULTURE.

The draft below may be approved.

(ISSUED AS letter NoMs. 180 F.A.d/31-1-1950.

(Issued as memo No. 49163 L/49-5 d/31-1-50)

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Reg. S. S. S.
Superintendent.

v.n.m.

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Compared by N. Raghavan.
Mr. Mohd. Hameed
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